IN AND ABOUT TOWN

News and Gossip of Washingand Washingtonians Tersely Told.

Clerks laid down pens, the click-click NOW ADAPT MODERN NOVELS of the numerous typewriters ceased ab ruptly, and all ears became alert at the bell-like

sound that reverberated through-out the building. It was in the cient pile of mawhere the slight-

City Hall, that ansonry, steel and cemented corridors,

where the slightest sound of raucous dimensions is seldom heard, and where the stiliness, aggravated by the rigorous decorum demanded in the court rooms, seems always sepulchrai.

Thoughts of dire calamity were plainly visible on the sober and earnest faces of the clerks and court attaches, and the colored porters, messengers, and elevator operators, given by nature to fright, were all a-quiver.

One thoughtful man in the Recorder of Deeds' office suggested a fire drill.

Another ventured the assertion: "Tie a flag on it."

He of sportive persuasion expressed a desire to "set em up in the other alley."

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Deputy Marshal Ryan, attached to Chief Splain's office, went on a still hunt and found the suspected fire alarm was caused by an awkward youth stumbling over a steel cuspidor in the basement corridor, and all hands went back to work.

Ashlar Club to Meet.

The Ashlar Club of Master Masons will meet Saturday night in its club rooms, Old Masonic Temple, Ninth and Fatreets northwest. The entertainment will include music by W. Clifford Stumph, soloist of Epiphany Church; Clay E. Holmes and Robert Gooch, and an illustrated lecture by R. A. Young, of the Department of Agriculture.

May Revise B. and O. Schedules. The Baltimore and Ohio schedules for fall and winter service may be revised considerably as a result of a meeting of passenger traffic officials of the system to be held at Pittsburgh September 25 and 26.

Urge Volunteer System.

The Democratic platform planks relating to industrial preparedness and to the volunteer military system were unanimously indorsed by the Women's Preparedness, Peace and Prosperity League at a meeting held yesterday afternoon at the Rochambeau. The propaganda for compulsory military service was severely criticised and a resolution was adopted requesting all political parties to take a stand for the volunteer system.

Cotton Exports Heavy. That cotton to the amount of 93,690 bales was exported from the twelve prin-

cipal customs districts of the United States was announced by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce of the Department of Commerce last night. The exports for the corresponding period last year were 91,089.

Courts Will Filed.

By the will of James C. Courts, clerk to the House Committee on Appropriations, who died September 17, the widow, Lenora J. Courts, is made the sole beneficiary. The will, which bears date of November 8, 1911, was filed for probate today. Mrs. Courts is named executrix without bond.

Woman's Gold Watch Stolen. Mrs. Britton Stone, of 1721 De Sales street northwest, told the police yester-day that a woman's gold watch and a long neck chain, valued at \$100, was stolen from the bed room of her home some time since September 9.

Two Held for Grand Jury. Carl H. Furrer and George Craig. charged with breaking and entering the art gallery of A. Mendelsohn and stealing art goods valued at \$54, were bound over to the grand jury today in the Police Court. Their bond was fixed at \$1,000 each. Detective William Messer arrested the men.

Defective Flue Causes Fire. Fire caused by a deflective flue did \$50 damage to the home of Jesse F. Gats. 1621 Monroe street northeast, yesterday evening.

Overturns In Delivery Car. Robert Howard, of 211 Virginia ave-Robert Howard, of 211 Virginia aver-nue southwest, narrowly escaped seri-ous injury yesterday atternoon, when an automobile delivery car, of the Piney Branch Market, which he was driving, overturned on Georgia avenue near Longfellow street northwest.

Flowers for Fall Weddings. Get Gude's estimate and suggestions for flowers and decorations. 1214 F St. —Advt.

ITEMS OF INTEREST Film a Library tor People Who Would Rather Run Than Read AMUNSEY'S FEATURE

Producers Giving Short Cuts to Literary Knowledge With Book Plays.

Two New and Popular Stories To Be Produced in Motion Pictures.

Will the motion picture turn itself into a "mile-a-minute-library" for the benefit of people who haven't the time or the patience to read the books of the day?

One of the big advantages of film that have been urged by its friends lies in its ability to present the salient features of a story in an hour that would require a day or two of scild reading of the book to obtain. The facts of history and the plots of novels can be given in this way, and if the person seeing the film wishes to learn more of the book or the historical subject it is an easy matter to find it in its original form.

For a person who wishes to keep up with the literature of the day or who wishes to have visualized for him the big literary characters of the classics, the motion picture is regarded as a real labor saving device. As a stimulus to reading it has recently attracted the attention of teachers of English.

When the Kleine production of "Quo Vadis" in motion pictures was made, two entire new editions of the book were sold as a direct result. The publishers of Bulwer's "The Last Days of Pompoli" state that they were compelled to get out new editions after the production of the film play to supply the new demand.

Now comes the proposition to produce film plays of new books of the popular literature type. The Vitagraph Company is the ploneer in this regard and has two books it intends to produce within a short time. The filing of the first of these has already been finished and the pictures will be ready for the exhibitor about October 1.

This book is "The Scarlet Runner," by C. N. and A. M. Williamson, one of the most popular of automobile stories. Those who have read the book will remember that it is really a set of separate adventure stories concerning the career of a wealthy young man who starts out to earn money by hiring an automobile to people for private excursions, stipulating that the owner shall always

TODAY'S BEST FILMS.

Plaza. Ninth, between D and E streets and Navy, Eighth street southeast—Grace Darling and Harry Fox in The Times-Beatrice Fairfax stories from real life.

Garden, 423 Ninth street—Billie Burke in "Love's Reward" (Kleine).

Masonic Auditorium Thirteenth

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Masonic Auditorium, Thirteenth street and New York avenue—Donald Brian in "The Smugglers" (Famous Players).

Circle, 2105 Pennsylvania avenue—Lina Cavalleri in "The Shadow of Her Past."

Home, Twelfth and C streets northeast-Marguerite Clark in "Out of the Drifts" (Famous Players).

Washington, Eighteenth and California streets—Bertha Kalich in "Ambition" (Fox Film Co.).

Loew's Columbia, Twelfth and F streets—Valentine Grant in "The Daughter of MacGregor" (Famous Players).

Leader, Ninth, between E and F streets—Vivian Martin in "The Stronger Love" (Morosco).

Casino, Seventh and F streets—"The Fall of A Nation," by Thomas Dixon, Jr., author of "The Birth of A Nation," with a musical score by Victor Herbert.

Crandall's, Ninth and E streets—Beatriz Michelena, in "The Unwritten Law" (California Motion Picture Co.).

Savoy, Fourteenth street and Columbia road—Mary Pickford in "Hulda

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Apollo, 624 H street northeast—Rita Jolivet in "An International Marriage" (Morosco).

Avenue Grand, 645 Pennsylvania avenue southeast—Mabel Talliaferro in "God's Half Acre."

Strand, Ninth and D streets—Frank Keenan and Enid Markey in "War's Woman," directed by Thomas H. Ince.

LOCAL MENTION.

Harvey's Seafood Platter Today, 12 to 3, 6 to 8:30, 50c. Lobster newburg, deviled crab, fried oysters, potato and slaw. Other sea-sonable delicacies. 11th and Pa. ave. 22-k Geld Crowns, 23, 24, 25. Guar-anteed. Dr. Vaughan's Dental Office, 307 7th St. N. W.

The Sunday Evening Times has ill the acknowledged advantages of vening newspaper circulation with one of the disadvantages of Sunday norning newspapers of many sections.

Today and

All Week



LILLIAN TUCKER.

Star Who Is to Appear With Earle Williams in the Third and Fourth Chapters of "The Scarlet Runner."

be engaged as chauffeur. The story has been divided into twelve distinct film plays each of which will have its separate cast—the only feature being the same in each is the automobile and the young man playing the part of its owner.

Earle Williams is to be the hero of all these stories as the amateur

Earle Williams is to be the hero of all these stories as the amateur chauffeur. In the first episode his leading woman will be Marguerite Blake. Adele Kelly will have the lead in the second; Lillian Tucker in the third and fourth; Zena Keefe in the fifth; Betty Howe in the sixth; Billie Billings in the seventh; Jean Stuart in the eighth; Gypsy O'Brien in the ninth; Louizita Valentine in the tenth and Edith Storey in the eleventh and twelfth. Wally Van and W. P. S. Earle were in charge of the production of the films.

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The other book play to be produced by the Vitagraph Company is "The Girl Philippa." by Robert W. Chambers, which has just been completed as a serial story in the Cosmopolitan Magazine. Anita Stewart is to have the principal role in this film. The making of the picture has just been started.

Production has been delayed by the serious illness of Miss Stewart. For the past two months she has been suffering from typhoid fever, and for a time it was thought she could not survive. Her splendid health manifested itself in resistance to the disease, however, and she has

to the disease, however, and she has just returned from the Adirondacks, where she has been convalescing.

Riley Memorial Film Fund. Indiana is in the midst of a celebration of its centennial this week. and in Indianapolis the motion picture is playing a big part in the cen-tennial and in the raising of funds for a memorial to the late James Whitcomb Riley. The Sellg company last winter undertook to reproduce

the history of Indiana in film under the direction of the Indiana Histori-cal Society, for the purpose of show-ing the films at the celebration which ing the films at the celebration which started in Indianapolis yesterday.

The death of James Whitcomo Riley a few weeks ago made a slight change in the plans for the celebration, as Mr. Riley was to have been one of its leading figures. The films of the history of the State are being shown, as scheduled, and the fund realized from the showing of the pictures will be used to swell the amount being collected for a Riley memorial of some sort in Indianapolis.

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Twenty-three Cities Claim Honor of Being Explorer's Birthplace, Says Writer.

Seven cities claimed Homer as a native son, but no less than twenty-three have claimed to house the birthplace of Christopher Columbus. There are nine more or less famous portraits of the famous explorer, yet no two of them look alike. It is about these uncertain ties as to the origin and personal appearance of the discoverer of America

that an absorbingly interesting article in the October issue of Munsey's Magazine. on sale today, has to do.

"Of all the great men who have pleyed a momentous part in the history of the modern world," says Frank Owen Payne, author of the article, "there is probably none of whom so much has been written and said, but of whom so little is positively known, as the discoverer of America." Amply Illustrated.

The article is amply illustrated, as is also a particularly filuminating one by J. W. McConaughyon in the course of instruction given novices at the American Red Cross Nurses' school at Scarsdale, N. Y.
Jose R. Capablanca, the young Cuban who has astounded the world in recent years by his remarkable chess playing contributes a refreshingly clear recital

stories and new installments of "The interest features is the complete novel-Young Blood," by Fred Jackson; ette entitled "Walfs," by Grace Sart-"Thieves" Wil." by Hulbert Footner, well Mason.

and "Children of Passion," by Mary Imlay Taylor, afford delightful fiction reading.

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to the front. Women are hurrying in to select this garment of garments-the Sweater, so very desirable during these chilly

days of autumn. Kann's lines of high-grade sweaters are complete.

ALL WOOL HEAVY KNIT SWEATERS, in fancy weaves with Byron collar, pearl buttons to trim; choice of belt all around, belted back or beltless models; some have pockets; others without. Colors are rose, Delft blue, Harvard red, hunter \$5.50

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WOOL SWEATERS, made with belt, Byron collar that folds down into sailor if desired. Choice of white with emerald, white with gold, white with copenhagen, white with corn. Also plain colors as heather, emerald, pink, orange, and \$5.90 green.

CASHMERE KNIT WOOL SWEATERS, in link stitch, large sailor collar, cuffs, buttons, and belt trimmed with emerald or rose \$13.50

Stripes FIBER SILK SWEATERS, in purple, copenhagen, gold and green, with large sallor collar, \$13.75



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